

Kansas

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

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ATF Firearms Trace Data Disclaimer

- Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.
- Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in Kansas in Calendar Year 2019



3,085

Firearm Types with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Pistols	Rifles	Revolvers	Shotguns	Machineguns	Silencers	Derringers	Receivers/Frames	Other
2,190	346	262	178	39	30	14	14	12

* Other includes Unknown Types, Any Other Weapons and Combinations.

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery



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9mm	.40 Cal	.22 Cal	.380 Cal	.45 Cal	12GA	.38 Cal	.357 Cal	7.62mm	5.56mm
1,065	353	292	274	249	124	107	81	73	51

NOTE: There were 306 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 110 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery

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Firearm Under Investigation	Possession of Weapon	Dangerous Drugs	Aggravated Assault	Found Firearm	Weapon Offense	Homicide	Property Crime	Suicide	Firing Weapon	Traffic Offense
728	697	407	242	241	119	87	87	78	67	66

NOTE: There were 266 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Kansas	Missouri	Texas	Oklahoma	Colorado
1,637	374	56	51	34
Florida	Georgia	Alabama	Arizona	Arkansas
23	18	17	17	16
Ohio	Iowa	Louisiana	California	Indiana
16	13	12	11	11

NOTE: An additional 30 states accounted for 131 other traces.
The source state was identified in 2,437 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Under 3 Months	3 Months to Under 7 Months	7 Months to Under 1 Year	1 Year to Under 2 years	2 Years to Under 3 Years	3 Years and Over
183	161	141	309	273	1,317

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Kansas Average Time-to-Crime: **7.09 Years**

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Time-to-Crime: **8.29 Years**

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
131	282	203	449	541	268	199

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Kansas Average Age of Possessor: **33 Years**

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Wichita	Kansas City	Topeka	Lenexa	Manhattan	Lawrence	Junction City	Olathe	Great Bend	Garden City	Derby
949	744	402	87	72	70	65	65	64	52	45

NOTE: There were 99 additional municipalities that accounted for 469 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for one trace.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Kansas. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Kansas.
- Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019, or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019.
- Duplicate traces, Firearms Not Recovered, Gun Buyback and Firearms Turned In are not included in this figure.
- Data was extracted from the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on April 10, 2020.
- All traces may not have been submitted or completed at the time of this study.

Firearm Types and Calibers with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced. Beginning in CY 2010, attempted homicide, attempted suicide and negligent vehicular manslaughter are reported in separate categories.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics (continued)

Top Source States for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser and the state in which the final dealer is located.

Time-to-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser.
- Time-to-Crime was calculated for those traces in which the purchase date could be subtracted from the recovery date.

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces that provide a possessor and the possessor's date of birth.
- Possessor's age is calculated by subtracting the possessor's date of birth from the recovery date.

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces with a recovery city, or, if the recovery city was not provided, the requesting agency had jurisdiction only within that city.